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Food products from uninfected localities in China to be certified.

[Telegram.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *December 8, 1900.*

Certify food products originating uninfected localities.

WYMAN.

KERR, *American Consulate, Hongkong.*

[Telegram.]

HONGKONG, *December 9, 1900.*

Am certifying ships' papers in compliance with your orders.

KERR.

WYMAN, *Washington.*

Vessels from Cuban, Mexican, and Central American ports inspected at Reedy Island Quarantine.

REEDY ISLAND QUARANTINE,
Via Port Penn, Del., December 9, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the following vessels from Cuban, Mexican, and Central American ports were inspected at this station during the week ended December 8, 1900:

December 4, 1900, steamship *Grayfield*, from Daiquiri, with iron ore; no passengers; bill of health signed by Acting Asst. Surg. Juan J. de Jongh. December 8, 1900, steamship *Transit*, from Havana, with logwood from Port de Paix, via Inagua; no passengers; bill of health signed by Surg. A. H. Glennan.

Respectfully,

T. F. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from West Indian ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., *December 15, 1900.*

SIR: I have to report the following-named vessels as having entered at this port during the week ended this day, from the ports named: December 11, British steamship *Jessica*, from Santiago de Cuba, with ore.

Respectfully,

A. LINCOLN DRYDEN,
Special Deputy Collector.

Reports from the Mexican border.

Eagle Pass, Tex., December 10, 1900—Concerning the rumor of yellow fever.—I have the honor to invite your attention to Bureau letter of 5th instant, initials E. B. S., relative to the article seen in the Medical News of December 1, 1900, to the effect that yellow fever is now existing in the Republic of Mexico, 15 miles from the Texas border. I desire to state that I have no knowledge whatever of the existence of said disease in the place named and, furthermore, consider the report as a rumor only, for certainly no disease of the type mentioned is anywhere near this port. Is it possible to secure any information which might lead to the location of the spot or place in Mexico where the